में से 29 पत्रों को छोड़ कर अन्य सभी पत्र पर स्टेट बैंक आफ इन्दौर के साथ परामर्श करके जांच करने के पश्चात् उचित रूप से कारंवाई की गई है।

*66. *[Transferred to 9th December,* 1993].

Making banks Tramsparent

*67. SHRI TRILOKl NATH CHAT URVEDI-DR. MURLI MANOHAR JO SHI;

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have seen the news item published in the *'Economic Times'* of 26th August, 1093 under tha caption "Trade Unions seek names of 20 loans defaulters from each bank" and if so, what is the reaction of government to the demand for disclosing the names of the top 20 defaulters of bank loans in each bank;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the All India Bank Officers' Confederation has made similar demands as published in the Economic Themes of 2nd September, 19(93 and if so, what is the amount of loan advanced by the nationalised banks which is sticky; and

(e) what steps are being taken to make the business of the banks more transparent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir, as per information available from Reserve Bank of India. the amcune overdues of public sector banks as at the end of September, 1992 was Rs. 21022 crores (latest available).

(c) Commercial banks are in the process or undergoing a Lime bound structural transformation. The reform programme is primarily designed to make the financial sector more viable efficient and responsive. Banks are being encouraged to act as autonomous business unit, responsible for their performance. The structural reforms in the financial sector focus on easing constraint prescribing appropriate prudential norms relating to provisioning against loan losses and capital adequacy, introducing transparency in the accounting and reporting procedure?, restructuring and recapitalising banks. In accordance with the statutes governing the public sector banks as also in terms of the practices and us-nages customary amongst bankers, the barks do not divulge informat'ois relating to or to the affairs of their constituents except in circumstances in which it is, in accordance with the low or practice and usage customary aTiong bankers, necessary or appropriate for the banks to divulge such information.

Asian Development Bank's Assistance to Indian Stock Exchanges

*68. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether it is a fact that the Asian Development Bank has agreed to provide around 20 million dollars to Indian Stock Exchanges to computerise thei$_r$ settlement process parti-cu-drly to provide interface between stock exchange computers and brokers' offices.

(b) if so, what is the cost likely to be involved in this; and

(c) the assistance likely to be made available for the purpose by the IMT' and the terms and conditions under which such a loan is likely to be made available to the SEBI?